

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS  
**PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

IN RE: ISSUANCE OF ADVISORY OPINION TO THE ENERGY FACILITY SITING BOARD  
REGARDING THE NARRAGANSETT ELECTRIC COMPANY D/B/A NATIONAL GRID AND  
CLEAR RIVER ENERGY LLC'S APPLICATION TO CONSTRUCT THE BURRILLVILLE  
INTERCONNECTION PROJECT – DOCKET NO. 4737

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 39-1-11, 42-98-9(d), and 42-98-10, the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) will conduct a hearing on **February 27, 2018 @ 10:00 A.M.** in the first-floor hearing room at the PUC's office located at 89 Jefferson Boulevard, Warwick, R.I. The hearing may continue thereafter from day to day and time to time as required.

On February 22, 2017, the Narragansett Electric Co. d/b/a National Grid and Clear River Energy LLC (Invenergy) (Collectively, Applicants) filed with the Energy Facility Siting Board (Siting Board) an application to construct and alter certain of its transmission components in Burrillville, Rhode Island (Project). On September 15, 2017, the Siting Board issued a Notice of Designation to the PUC to render an Advisory Opinion as to the need and cost-justification for the proposed Project. The Advisory Opinion to the Siting Board is due by March 15, 2018. The PUC's Advisory Opinion is not a final decision on the proposed Project.

At this hearing, the PUC will examine the propriety of need and cost analysis recommendation submitted to the PUC by the parties, including the Division of Planning, the Office of Energy Resources and the Division of Public Utilities and Carriers regarding the need and cost-justification for the Applicants' proposed Project. The PUC will accept public comment at the start of the hearing. Due to the specific PUC mandate under the Energy Facility Siting Act, speakers should limit their comments to the PUC to the need and cost-justification for the proposed Project.

The docket and related information, including the full procedural schedule, are available for examination at the PUC's office. The filing can also be accessed under [www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/4737page.html](http://www.ripuc.org/eventsactions/docket/4737page.html). Reference is made to Chapters 39-1, 39-3 and 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

The PUC is accessible to the handicapped. Individuals requesting interpreter services for the hearing impaired must notify the Commission Clerk's office at 780-2107, seventy-two hours in advance of hearing date.

Luly E. Massaro, Commission Clerk  
February 15, 2018